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we've repeatedly 02-277
tried to call your
office but mailboxes
are full and no one
answers. you have a
responsibility to
LISTEN to the
public, not ignore
them.

Chairman Powell:

We deem the FCC's move to deregulate ownership of the media as one of the most egregious abuses of power that we have seen in our lifetime.

The FCC is mandated to uphold diversity of ownership to ensure that all Americans receive vital information from a variety of sources. It is clear that the 1996 Telecommunications Act has already created monopolies that have negatively impacted the dissemination of information and have presented limited or misrepresented facts.

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Your charter is to uphold the constitution, and you are morally, ethically, and legally bound to restrict ownership by corporations who will unduly influence the way information to Americans and those abroad is presented.

The marketplace has not changed, contrary to the rhetoric presented by large conglomerates. The airwaves belong to the people, regardless of the century in which we live.

Sincerely,



Steven and Linda Morton

And Extended Family Members (Republicans and Democrats)
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cc: Senator Gordon Smith
Senator Ron Wyden

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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the SecretaryTO Michael K Powell'
Chairman FCC

FROM Caroline Dulle

202 418 0710

RE PROPOSED RULE CHANGES ON JUNE 2

Chairman Powell

I am much opposed to changes to already too deregulated rules for
operation of our corporate media to be effected on June 2

We must have diverse, balanced and competitive media

This is what you are supposed to be looking out for

I don't know what you commissioners are thinking: further
deregulation would worsen something that already is off balance

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FROM: A. ELAINE DINES
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TO: Kevin J. Martin
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Dear FCC Commissioner Kevin J. Martin,

There must be no relaxing of media ownership rules.

On the contrary, the FCC should require the reversal of the trend toward consolidation. A case in point is the media giant Clear Channel Communications whose domination of radio has homogenized the airwaves. Another example of this distortion is the plan of Rupert Murdoch (an Australian citizen, incidentally) to purchase DirecTV, opening the door to TV becoming an outpost of the Murdoch empire.

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Democracy is built on the idea that the view and beliefs of an informed citizenry are the best basis for political decision-making. Without access to fair and balanced news, the political system simply doesn't work.

Media corporations cannot be trusted to balance themselves. They have shown, again and again, that they're willing to sacrifice journalism to improve the bottom line. That's why we need many media entities - to keep each other honest and to provide the information and ideas that make democracy happen.

Monopoly power is a dangerous thing, and the FCC and Congress are supposed to guard against it. You must support a diverse, competitive media landscape.

You must delay any ruling for 60 days during which time more public hearings will be held.

The process of your decision-making must become transparent, with drafts made public and subject to debate.

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Sincerely,

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June 1, 2003

Michael J. Powell, Chairman,
Federal Communications Commission

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RE **MB Docket No. 02-277** - 2002 Biennial Regulatory Review – Review of the Commission's Broadcast Ownership Rules and Other Rules Adopted Pursuant to Section 202 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996
MM Docket No. 01-235 - Cross-Ownership of Broadcast Stations and Newspapers
MM Docket No. 01-317 - Rules and Policies Concerning Multiple Ownership of Radio Broadcast Stations in Local Markets

As Chairman of Citizens Equal Rights Alliance (CERA), a national alliance of local and regional community education and action organizations, I write this eleventh hour plea that you and your colleagues gravely consider the net effect of decisions to be made on June 2, 2003. CERA opposes any further cross-media ownership that results in the following:

1. Unmanned radio stations across the country, unable to notify local and regional citizens regarding impending natural disaster or terrorist attacks;
2. Reduced or no ability for citizens to access and express public opinion using local media resources,
3. A monopoly or oligopoly of media resources positioned to shape, slant and propound one point of view, while simultaneously preventing reasonable debate or counterpoint information

I note with some irony the substantial efforts made by the FCC to alert the general public as to precautions taken to protect FCC headquarters during "High" homeland security alert. This effort to protect one single building in Washington D.C. is prominent on the FCC website. Yet now, the FCC, by administrative fiat, is poised to undo existing early warning systems across Rural America, by facilitating monopolistic treatment of media resources whose primary purpose should be to serve public interest, let alone public safety. The FCC must not, in decisions made on June 2, 2003, lay bare any ability to notify the general public in local and regional areas, to protect THEIR buildings, businesses, homes and families.

Stifling public forum and debate is sufficient reason to rethink any further conglomeration of media resources; actual public safety arising from natural disasters and terrorist attack should be sufficient cause to suspend any further discussion on this matter.

Allowing mega-conglomerates to realize cost efficiencies by reducing or removing live personnel from regional radio, television and print resources portends an enormous public safety risk and long-term costs associated with loss of life for lack of timely homeland security information.

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For a federal agency charged with protecting the public interest, the general public is hard pressed to locate any useful information on the FCC website, regarding a decision you may make on June 2, 2003 that will affect the lives of literally millions of Americans

We believe that the near absence of public discussion or information on this pending FCC action, within mainstream media right NOW, is the best evidence of the folly of facilitating further mergers. Those who stand to gain by further mergers are the very entities currently stifling public discussion on this FCC matter of critical public import.

We would strongly encourage the FCC to deny, delay or at least substantially postpone an obvious economic decision, to afford time to consider public safety and public interest economics that will surely bring costly unintended consequences of any hasty decisions made by the FCC on June 2, 2003

Sincerely,

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To: Chairman Michael K. Powell:
Commissioner Kathleen Q. Abernathy:
Commissioner Michael J. Copps:
Commissioner Kevin J. Martin:
Commissioner Jonathan S. Adelstein.

From: Sandy Steubing

Re: Corruption at the FCC

Date: 6/1/03

Dear Commissioners:

I've read so much about your agency in the alternative web sites and none of it has been favorable. I'm sure if the mainline media were to cover the story of your industry-paid travel and your function as a captive agency, the public would be appalled. Please remember you represent the American people and are not paid to service the industry you're supposed to regulate.

Please look within and discover your conscience.

Thank you and regards,

Sandy Steubing
Petersburgh, NY

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Chairman Michael Powell & FAX # 202 418 0710
Commissioners Abernathy/Capps/Martinez/AdelsteinDATE 5/31/03# of Pages 1MESSAGE RE: the 6/2 review of regulatory broadcast
ownership rules, the major media conglomerates
& Michael Powell's proposal changesLet my voice be heard & counted in OPPOSITION!

Further monopolization would drastically undermine
our civil liberties to a free press & media representation.
Public access to information, voices of watchdog organizations
public opinion commentary & reporting are all crucial
to our American democracy - predicated on a free
society, free discussion & diversity.
Truth of information reported to its citizenry should be
a paramount goal of returning legitimacy & dignity
to the actions of this White House Administration

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